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**COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF
REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, provided with the Notice of Allowance dated September 9, 2004, Applicant submits the following comments.

On page 2 of the Notice of Allowability, the Examiner presents a Statement of Reasons for Allowance. Applicant does not disagree that the indicated claims are allowable. Instead, Applicant wishes to note the following.

The Examiner has paraphrased the language of independent claim 1 as an expedient for the purposes of calling to mind the explicit language of each (taken as a whole) of independent claims 1 and 6. Also, The Examiner has pointed to Fig. 5 as an expedient for the purposes of calling to mind the explicit

language of each (taken as a whole) of independent claims 1 and 6. Fig. 5 is merely one example embodiment of the present invention. Applicant's understanding is that such paraphrasing and reference to Fig. 5 are not attempts to introduce limitations into, characterize the meaning of, or interpret any of the claims. Lastly, while the Examiner might indicate that an element of a claim is of greater interest to him, it is to be recalled that patentability considers each claim taken as a whole.

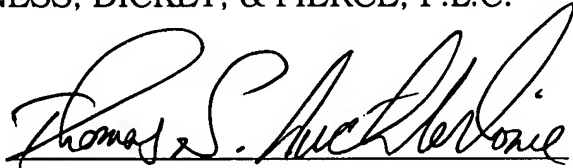
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Thomas S. Auchterlonie, Reg. No. 37,275, at the telephone number of the listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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